

Vaccine Fact Sheet: Varicella



California
Vaccines for
Children Program

Topic	Varivax®
Manufacturer	Merck Detailed Prescribing Information (Merck.com/product/usa/pi_circulars/v/varivax/varivax_pi.pdf)
Protects Against	Varicella Zoster Virus (chickenpox)
Routine Schedule	Two (2) dose series: First dose at 12-15 months and second dose at 4-6 years
Minimum Intervals	Younger than 13 years of age: 3 month minimum interval between doses 13 years of age and older: 4 week minimum interval between doses
Approved Ages	Persons aged 12 months and older
Administration	Subcutaneous (SC) or Intramuscular (IM) injection
Packaging	Vaccine is packaged as 10 single-dose vials of lyophilized vaccine and a separate box of 10 single-dose 0.7mL vials of sterile diluent
Storage	Freeze between -58°F and +5°F (-50°C to -15°C) Store in freezer Protect vaccine from light
Full ACIP Recommendations	Varicella ACIP Vaccine Recommendations (ACIP) (Cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/acip-recs/vacc-specific/varicella.html)
VFC Letter	Not available
Billing Codes	CHDP code: 46 VFC only CPT code for vaccine: 90716 CPT code for administration: 90460 Medi-Cal Fee-For-Service (FFS) administration: 90716 with modifiers –SK (high-risk) and –SL (VFC) ICD-10-CM code (encounter for immunization): Z23 Child Health and Disability Prevention (CHDP) Program Code Conversion (Files.medi-cal.ca.gov/pubsdoco/chdp/articles/25768.02_Cd_Conv_Table.pdf)
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